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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: A. TANAKA et al.

Serial No.: 09/712,171

Filed: November 15, 2000

For: DATA RECONSTRUCTION METHOD AND SYSTEM
WHEREIN TIMING OF DATA RECONSTRUCTION IS
CONTROLLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH CONDITIONS
WHEN A FAILURE OCCURS (As Amended)

Art Unit: 2184

Examiner: S. Baderman

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

May 17, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 17, 2001,
please amend the above-identified application as follows.

No additional claim fee is due in connection with the
filing of the present amendment.

Submitted herewith is a credit card payment form in
payment of the fee of \$110.00 required for filing the
accompanying terminal disclaimer.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Delete the paragraph on page 1, lines 2-8, as amended by
the preliminary amendment of November 15, 2000, and replace it
with the following replacement paragraph:

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